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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF DENTISTRY AND DENTAL HYGIENE EXAM APPEAL HEARING
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.
PLACE:	Division of Professional Regulation 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Conference Room B Cannon Bldg., Dover, Delaware 19904
MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:	October 18, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Thomas A. Mercer, DDS, Professional Member, President
Victor Kennedy, Appeal Panel Public Member
Dr. Bruce Matthews, DDS, Professional Member
Dr. Michael Nies, DDS, Appeal Panel Professional Member
Buffy Parker, RDH, Professional Hygiene Member
Carla Rawheiser, RDH, Hygiene Advisory Member
Kelly Russell, RDH, Appeal Panel Professional Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

There were no members absent.

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Meredith Hurley, Administrative Specialist II
David Mangler, Division Director
Jennifer Singh, Deputy Attorney General
Pam Zickafoose, Executive Director of Nursing

OTHERS PRESENT

Katlyn Scarberry

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

New Business

Dental Hygiene Exam Appeal – Katlyn Scarberry

The hearing went on record at 6:00 p.m. The Appeal Panel members were introduced. Ms. Singh stated that today's hearing was held at the request of Katlyn Scarberry, based on her failure of the Delaware dental hygiene examination. Ms. Singh marked as Appeal Exhibit 1: Examination Guidelines for the examiners, the May 2018 Examination schedule and candidate letter, the dental candidate guidelines, the exam score sheets for Katlyn Scarberry and the letter noticing Ms. Scarberry of the Appeal Panel hearing.

Dr. Mercer was sworn in and testified that the purpose of the clinical examination is to test for competence. He stated how the candidates are scored in each section of the examination. There were three examiners for the examination and their scores were tallied and averaged.

Ms. Scarberry stated that her scores from the clinical exam did not reflect the work she performed while in school. She stated that her instructors had nominated her for the Colgate Star award and her scores in school were consistently in the nineties. She had also taken on eight additional clinical patients that were beyond the required amount.

Ms. Scarberry advised that at the June 14, 2018 Board meeting she overheard that her scores were misplaced but eventually were found. She also noted a large point difference in the examiners' scores. She went through the point breakdown from each section of the exam and noted unprofessionalism amongst the examiners.

Mr. Kennedy asked Ms. Scarberry if she had any opportunity to make her case before the Board. Ms. Scarberry stated that this appeal is her opportunity. Ms. Singh advised that Ms. Scarberry wanted to meet with the Board but was told that she could not if she wanted to continue with the appeal.

The Appeal Panel entered into deliberations.

After deliberating, a motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Dr. Nies, to deny the appeal of Ms. Scarberry. The motion carried unanimously.

The hearing went off record at 6:31 p.m.

Verbatim testimony was recorded.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the hearing adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Meredith Hurley".

Administrative Specialist II